CHAPTER 33-11-03 ADVANCED LIFE SUPPORT GROUND AMBULANCE LICENSE

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33-11-03-01. Minimum standards for personnel.

- 1. The driver must be an emergency medical technician or its equivalent.
- The primary care provider must be an emergency medical technician-paramedic or its equivalent, or be a registered nurse currently certified as an emergency medical technician or its equivalent who has a current American heart association advanced cardiac life support certification or its equivalent.
- For scheduled basic life support transfers, the driver and the primary care provider must be at least emergency medical technicians or its equivalent.

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1994; August 1, 2003; January 1, 2006. **General Authority:** NDCC 23-27-04 **Law Implemented:** NDCC 23-27-04

33-11-03-02. Minimum equipment standards. The ambulance must contain all the equipment requirements as found in section 33-11-02-03, except oral glutose or glucose, plus the following:

- Cardiac defibrillator with pediatric capabilities.
- Portable radio. Rechargeable battery operated capable of reaching law enforcement and hospitals.
- 3. Nebulizer with tubing.
- 4. Endotracheal airway equipment in pediatric and adult sizes.
- 5. Intravenous therapy equipment. Catheters, intraosseouss needles, tubing solutions, for both pediatric and adult patients as approved by medical director.
- Glucose measuring device.

- 7. Syringes and needles.
- 8. Alcohol swabs. Betadine swabs.
- 9. Electrocardiogram supplies. Rolls of electrocardiogram paper, monitor electrodes and defibrillator pads.
- 10. Pediatric weight and length based drug dosage chart or tape.

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2003.

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33-11-03-03. Minimum medication requirements. The ambulance must carry the following functional classification of medications in pediatric and adult dosages:

- Alkalinizer.
- 2. Bronchodilator adrenergic intravenous or subcutaneous.
- 3. Antidysrhythmic.
- 4. Anticholinergen parasympatholitic.
- 5. Opioid antagonist.
- 6. Coronary vasodilator, antianginal.
- 7. Antianxiety.
- 8. Caloric.
- 9. Anticonvulsant.
- 10. Bronchodilator.
- 11. Narcotic.

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2003.

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33-11-03-04. Medical director. Each ground ambulance service shall have a signed agreement on file with the department with a North Dakota licensed physician who shall serve as official medical director and whose duties include

establishing written medical protocols, recommending optional equipment, and maintaining current training requirements for personnel.

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33-11-03-05. Availability on first call. Unless the advanced life support ambulance service has a system status management program as defined in this chapter in place that is approved by the department, the number of advanced life support ambulances available for first call by the licensed ambulance service is dependent upon the population of the city in which the ambulance is based. For cities with a population less than fifteen thousand, one advanced life support ambulance must be available for first call. For cities with populations between fifteen thousand one and fifty-five thousand, two advanced life support ambulances must be available for first call. For cities with populations greater than fifty-five thousand, three advanced life support ambulances must be available for first call. The second call ambulance or ambulances may be staffed and equipped at the basic life support level.

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33-11-03-06. Advertising restrictions. No ambulance service may advertise itself as an advanced life support ambulance service unless it is so licensed.

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